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SUBJECT: CONTINUING PRESS COVERAGE OF ASHLAND OIL DISCLOSURE  
RE GABON.

AUGUST 10 WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE ENTITLED QUOTE GIFTS OF  
1.1 MILLION DOLLARS LISTED BY ASHLAND UNQUOTE LISTS RECI-  
PIENTS OF ASHLAND OIL CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS.SAYS THIS  
IS FIRST TIME SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION HAS RE-  
QUESTED SUCH DISCLOSURE BY A CORPORATION. FIGURED PROMI-  
NENTLY ON LIST IS PRESIDENT BONGO AND TWO GABONESE OFFICIALS  
(UNIDENTIFIED) FOR PAYMENTS OF 150 THOUSAND DOLLARS AND  
52 THOUSAND DOLLARS RESPECTIVELY. ARTICLE REPEATS INFORMA-  
TION ALREADY REPORTED IN WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE OF JULY  
10 ON SAME SUBJECT. DEPARTMENT WILL POUCH. KISSINGER

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